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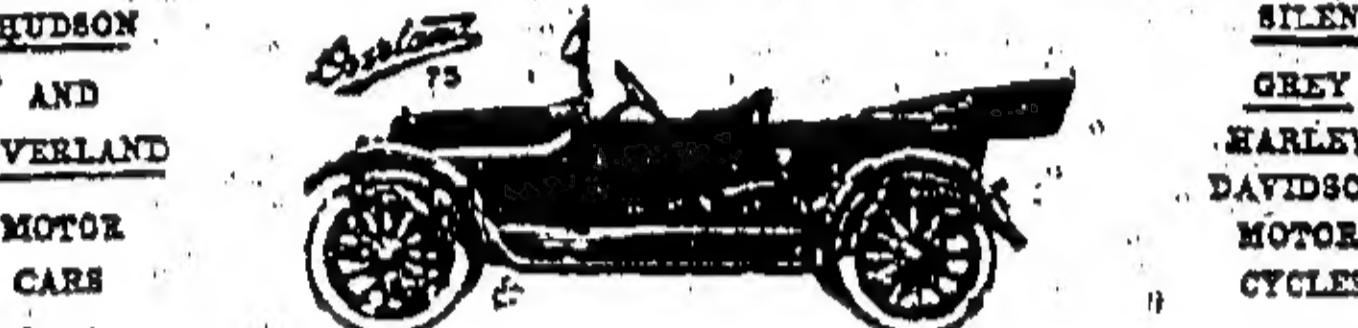
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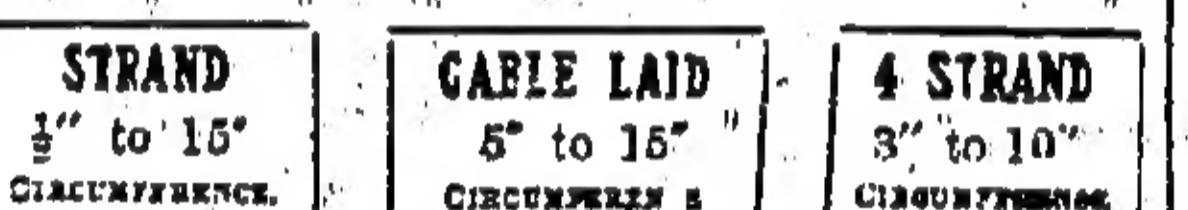
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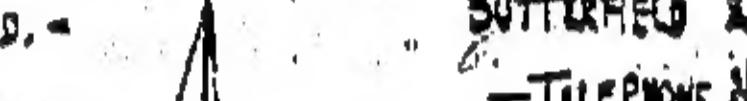
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THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service in the China Mail.)

THE WESTERN FRONT.

CANADIANS HAVING THEIR
REVENGE.

LENS DRENCHED WITH GAS.

LONDON, Sept. 17.

Lens has been literally drenched

with gas by the Canadians, and

according to Mr. Percival Phillips (a

war correspondent), the garrison is

forced to live in darkness and tor

ment and the men dare not remove

their gas masks for a moment.

Fifty tons of gas shells were thrown

on one sector in one night, filling the

galleries and dug-outs with clouds of

poison. The prisoners taken are all

suffering badly. A captured officer,

describing the feelings of the garrison,

said: "I wish we had the

swine who invented gas, we would

crucify him."

The Canadians are grimly satisfied

as they were the first victims of gas

at Ypres.

BRITISH OFFICIAL REPORTS.

LONDON, Sept. 17.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig

reports:—

We successfully carried out a

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Hongkong, Sept. 17, 1917. 2114THE HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA
DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
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share payable to all Shareholders on the
Company's Register at 30th September,
1917, may be obtained at the Office of the
Company, 2, Queen's Buildings,
Hongkong, on and after the 5th October,
1917.Notice is further given that the
SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER
BOOKS of the Company will be
CLOSED from the 1st to the 6th
October, 1917, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, Sept. 10, 1917. 2001DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEET-
ING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the
above Company will be held at the
Company's Office, on SATURDAY the
28th of September, at 11.30, for the
purpose of receiving the Report of the
General Managers, together with a
Statement of Accounts to 30th June 1917.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from the
2nd to 29th September, both days
inclusive.DOUGLAS TAPIRACK & CO.
General Managers,
Hongkong, Sept. 6, 1917. 2053NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA
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find it necessary to claim repayment in
STERLING from the BOARD OF TRADE,
LONDON, to whom the necessary funds
will be remitted.THE BOARD OF TRADE make a
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monies deposited in the "COMPANIES
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**THE KAISER CONTRADICTS
HIMSELF.**

By STEPHEN LACZANNE,
Editor of "Le Matin" and Member of the
French Commission.

In the letter written by Kaiser Wil-
helm to President Wilson on Aug. 10
1914, we find the following passage:
While I was preparing a note to H. M.
the Czar next morning (July 31) to
inform him that Vienna, London, and
Berlin were agreed about the treatment
of affairs I received the telephone mes-
sages from H. E. the Chancellor that in
the night before, the Czar had given the
order to mobilize the whole of the Rus-
sian Army, which was, of course, also
against Germany; whereas up till
then the southern armies had been
mobilized against Austria.

It is not the first time that a similar
assertion is made by the German rulers.
In an official document issued from
Berlin last year we read the following
lines:

History's verdict will not pass over
the complete mobilization of Russian
forces, which meant war against Ger-
many.

And in his maiden speech at the
Reichstag Dr. Michaelis, the new Im-
perial Chancellor, declared that "the
Russian mobilization was the real cause
of the war" because that mobilization
obliged Germany, for her safety, to take
military precautions.

Unfortunately, all these assertions—
letters of the Kaiser, official communiques,
speech of the Chancellor—are entirely
untrue, and constitute one of the most
audacious and impudent lies.

But there is something more. In his
telegram to King George the Kaiser
complains that the Czar had left him
"without information." This is another
lie, because before mobilizing his army
the Czar sent four telegrams to the
Kaiser of Germany. The last one was
couched in the following terms:

To H. M. the Kaiser of Germany
On July 31, 1914.

Thanks for your telegram, which is
councillary and friendly, whereas the
official message presented to-day by your
Ambassador to my Minister was conveyed
in a very different tone. I beg you to
explain this divergency. It would be
right to give over the Austro-Serbian
problem to The Hague Tribunal. I trust
in your wisdom and friendship.

NICHOLAS.

Not only did the Kaiser not answer
that telegram, but he suppressed it. And
in the official German White Book, giving
all the documents about the war, the
last telegram of the Czar disappeared.

The reason given by the German officials
for suppressing the telegram is the
following: "They say that it was not
interesting."

History will decide if the protocol of
the Czar to give over the whole Austria-
German problem to The Hague Tribunal
was or was not interesting. But it is
not necessary to wait for history to
decide, because the documents of the
Czar are now available.

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"MY FOUR YEARS IN GERMANY."

(THIRD INSTALMENT.)

[By JAMES W. GERARD.]
American Ambassador to the German
Imperial Court, July 28th, 1913,
to February 4th, 1917.

came bound for Holland. I saw the
Americans off at the Charlottenburg
station. They all departed in great spirits
and very glad of an opportunity to leave
Germany.

I had some negotiations about the pur-
chase by America or Americans of the
ships of the North German Lloyd, but
nothing came of these negotiations.

Thousands of Americans continued to
leave but there seemed to be no end to
the Americans coming into Berlin from
all directions.

PRINCE HORNENLOHE ROSENTHAL.

On August 20th Count Stoenzberg, the
Austrian Ambassador, left Berlin. He
had been Ambassador there for twenty-
two years, and I suppose because of his
advancing years the Austrian Government
thought that he had outlived his usefulness.
Quite a crowd of Germans and
diplomats were at the station to witness
the rather sad farewell. His successor
was Prince Hohenlohe, married to a
daughter of Archduke Frederick. He
expressly waived his right to precedence
as a royal highness and agreed to take
only the precedence given to her as the
wife of the Ambassador in order not to
cause friction in Berlin. Prince Hohen-
lohe, a rather easy-going man, who had
been most popular in Russia and Austria,
immediately made a favourable impres-
sion in Berlin and successfully occupied
the difficult position of mediating between
the governments of Berlin and Vienna.

The Chancellor gave me on September
4th a statement to give to the reporters
which, he attacked England, asserting
that England did not desire the friendship
of Germany, but was moved by commer-
cial jealousy and a desire to crush her;
that the efforts made for peace had failed
because Russia, under all circumstances,
was resolved upon war; that Germany
had entered Belgium in order to forestall
the planned French advance. He also
declared that England, regardless of
consequences to the white race, had
invited Japan to a pillaging expedition,
and said that Belgian girls and women
had gouged out the eyes of the wounded,
that officers had been invited to dinner
and shot across the table and that Belgian
women had cut the throats of soldiers
quartered in their houses while they were
asleep. The Chancellor concluded by
saying, in this statement, that everyone
knows that the German people are incap-
able of unnecessary cruelty or of any
kind.

Describing how he assisted in the
galley, he said—

"I was detailed to duty as a helper in
the galley one day when we were mixed
up in some pretty weather. The water
was washing across the deck forward.

Everyone got on to the bow would make
frantic efforts to reach heaven. Between

times this old battle wagon rolled as if
having the time of her life."

"My special job that day was grinding
up meat, and I never saw so much meat
at one time in my life. (We had meat
cakes that night, and they tasted good.
They have been the way I ground it.)

Well, I was in a passage just off the
galley. Every few minutes the pro-
peller would be lifted out of the water,
and the vibration was very bad.
Above all the other noise I could hear
the noise of the cooks getting lunch.

The pots and pans were jumping around
on the tables like feathers. In the few
minutes a pan remained in one spot a
cock would successively in slapping a huge
glob of dough into it. A few minutes
later the smell of baking bread put my
appetite right on edge. Before I had my
grinder cleaned, the hedges were blown
mess call. I sure was ready for the
cats."

The sailors' methods of insuring the
finishing of a meal before the contents
of their plates are jolted off appear to
be of great importance.

"When you set your beans or roast
beef or whatever has been decided on
for the meal, you take a life and death
grip on the plates with one hand and the
same kind of hold on your cup w/ the
other," states the letter. "Then you
square off, feet wide apart, and brace
yourself to withstand all possible move-
ments of the destroyer. This being done,
you cautiously raise the cup to your
mouth and take a swallow of the coffee
or coco. The next movement, which
is necessary in very rough weather, can-
not be described. As nearly as I can tell
you the cup and plate are rested on the
long table that swings from the supports
overhead, and you sit and complete
them for a minute to discover
any weaknesses in their stability. Then,
while the going's good, you scoop
up some solid food and get it safely
into your mouth. While you're chewing
it one hand holds the plate to the table
while the other does the same for the
cup."

"That is a precautionary measure—a
safety first idea."

"Now, if the ship decides to perform
and you are not ready, SPLASH! your
grub, slops, over on the floor and
you run for a deck wash—for there must
be no spots on the deck."

Having devoted the greater part of his
letter to the galley, the cooks and food,
the sailor gave some idea of how ready
the men are to meet a Prussian subma-
rine.

"There's one thing about this subma-
rine hunting business that might worry
Kaiser Bill if he knew it, the letter
continues. "You can bet your last penny
that one hundred per cent of the men
with the American destroyer fleet are
willing to sit by the guns all night and
day if there is a chance of sending a
shell into one life."

"I am not permitted to say where we
are not speak of what we have done.
They are military secrets. I'm not tell-
ing a secret when I say that the men on
all our destroyers are just dying for a
chance to show what gun practice will
do for a navy. Just remember that I
could give you an earful on the subject
of records in shooting, and when we
take on a 'sub' some of our best records
will be broken—and not by the sub
either."

"We've been ashore in a port in
England, and the welcome was great.
I guess you heard all about it by this
time. There were speeches and speeches
and speeches and cats, and more eats
and drinks and everything. We had a
whole of a time. Over at another port
it all was duplicated."

"As soon as the men got back to the
destroyers they began the regular stuff
of going out of their way to work. Men
in gun crews never seem to want to
go off duty. I've got the fever, too—the
boat fever. Clean and oil up, oil up
and clean, tighten a bolt and clean the
sights, tighten the sights and tighten a
bolt."

"That's what they're doing all the
time. Some of them almost have to be
tied to their hammocks. That's where
I am now going."

The writer of the letter is serving his
first enlistment in the navy. He enlisted
a few months before the declaration
of war. —*New York Herald*

EMBASSY PAPER PROTECTED.

The Kommandantur is the direct office
of military control. When the adjutant
heard of the raid he was almost as
indignant as I was, and on the tenth of
October informed me that he had learned
that the raid had been made on the
orders of the Foreign Office and Von
Tirpitz's department.

The books and papers of an embassy,
including those relating to the affairs of
foreign nations, temporally and the
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in international law as not subject to
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on this work outside the actual embassy
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TELEGRAMS.

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BRITISH NAVAL AIRCRAFT ACTIVITY.

LONDON, Sept. 17. The Admiralty announces that naval aircraft, on Saturday, bombed the enemy, shipping between Ostend and Blankenberghe and hit a large destroyer amidships. One, probably, two, trawlers were sunk.

Our aeroplanes shot down a seaplane this evening. A patrol engaged a formation of the enemy aircraft yesterday morning and destroyed one, probably two.

THE ENEMY'S SHORTAGE OF EFFECTIVES.

COMPENSATED BY MACHINE-GUNS.

PARIS, Sept. 18.

A correspondent of *Le Temps*, on the British Front, writing with regard to the enemy's shortage of effectives, declares that there is an incontestable proof that the strength of a German company of infantry, on certain sectors, varies from 40 to 60 men. The shortage is compensated by additional machine-guns.

THE KING TOURING THE GLYDE DISTRICTS.

LONDON, Sept. 17.

The King has begun his great tour of the industrial districts on the Clyde.

After chatting with 100 war workers at the Greenock Town Hall, His Majesty proceeded to the dockyard and witnessed the new time-saving system of working ships' plates without rivets being lifted off vessels, and Scotch lasses acting as "holders on" to riveters. His Majesty was also greatly interested in a machine for punching angles, the first of its kind to be used in a British shipyard. His Majesty spoke and shook hands with numerous workers, including a blacksmith, aged 79, who said that he had retired, but could not remain idle while there was war work to do. His Majesty also asked an Australian about his home and family.

FRENCH DEPUTY'S ALLEGED DEALINGS WITH THE ENEMY.

PARIS, Sept. 18.

The President of the Chamber of Deputies has instituted an inquiry regarding the actions of Deputy Turnel, who is suspected of having had dealings with the enemy, and has requested M. Turnel to explain his possession of thousands of pounds in Swiss bank notes.

Investigations have revealed the sale of several thousands of oxen, destined for Germany. Further proceedings will be instituted.

AMERICA'S PROHIBITION OF EXPORTS.

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.

In order to conserve supplies the Export Board has issued an order practically prohibiting the export of wheat, flour, sugar, butter, cotton linters, iron, steel, and many chemicals, unless for actual war purposes.

DUKE'S SON KILLED.

LONDON, Sept. 17.

Major Lord Robert Manners, D.S.O., has been killed in France. Major Lord Robert Manners, D.S.O., who was the fourth son of the Duke of Rutland, served in the South African war in which he gained the D.S.O.

A GREAT ENGINEERING FEAT.

QUEBEC, Sept. 18.

A 5,000-ton span of the Quebec bridge was towed safely into position and the operation of hoisting, which has lasted 30 hours, is proceeding satisfactorily and is being witnessed by 25,000 spectators.

CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.

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AFFAIRS IN RUSSIA.

THE SUKHOMLINOFF TRIAL.

A DEMAND FOR IT TO BE EXPEDITED.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 17.

Three hundred soldiers went to the Army and Navy Club, where M. Sukhomlinoff is being tried, and demanded that he and his wife should be delivered to them, as the trial was taking too long and they wanted to deal summarily with them.

The demand was refused, and the soldiers stated that they would return in three days, when, if the trial was not finished, they would finish it. In the meantime, they demanded that M. Sukhomlinoff should be placed on common prisoners' fare and this demand was granted.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE RUSSIAN CRISIS.

A STRONG MANIFESTO.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 17.

The Government has issued a strong manifesto announcing the Republic. This says that General Korniloff's revolt has been suppressed, but the State is still threatened by mortal danger. The Government has therefore decided to buttress the shaken fabric of the State by the foundation of a Republic. The first task of the Government will be to re-establish order in the State and to regenerate the fighting capacity of the Army. With the co-operation of the whole living forces of the country, the Government is confident of a speedy accomplishment of the task.

GENERAL KORNILOFF TO RECEIVE A FAIR TRIAL.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 17.

It is announced that the Government does not intend any revengeful measures against General Korniloff, who has been given every facility for his defence.

A WARNING TO THE TROOPS.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 17.

General Valonoff, commanding the Western Front, in an Army Order warns the troops that he has been reliably informed that the enemy, intoxicated with his success at Riga, is preparing to break through on the Dvinsk and Minsk.

It is hoped that the Proclamation of the Republic will clear the air and it is expected that the next step will be the dissolution of the Duma.

Preparations are being made at Moscow to accommodate the Government offices in case of necessity.

AMERICA'S WAR PREPARATIONS.

LONDON, Sept. 17.

Lord Northcliffe, in the *Times*, describing America's war preparations, says that after barely five months' preparation the United States has close upon a million and a half soldiers undergoing intensive training. For the up-keep of this force sums of money have been voted which make one's brain reel. For aeroplane construction £128,000,000 had been appropriated. Upon merchant ships building £227,000,000 is to be spent. In all the United States war expenditure already amounts to well over £1,500,000 per day. Loans to the Allies account for another £2,400,000.

ECKHARDT'S EXPULSION FROM MEXICO DEMANDED.

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 17.

The newspaper which published Herr Eckhardt's letter demands his expulsion if the Government wishes to preserve neutrality.

ROYAL VISIT TO SCOTLAND.

LONDON, Sept. 17.

The King has started on a four days' visit to the Clyde Yards, including a public audience at Brock Park, Glasgow, where preparations have been made for 100,000 spectators.

COTTON-GROWING IN TURKESTAN.

LONDON, Sept. 17.

The cotton planters of Turkestan have decided to grow cotton in order to avert famine.

LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, Aug. 10.

AUGUST'S BAD START.

Just when almost everybody appeared to be going holiday-making at the seaside, beyond the rail zone, the Heavens opened in a decidedly un-August fashion, and for the whole of last week—seven days and nights—it poured without ceasing. Some parts of Kent had a fall of over seven inches of rain, and hardly a place in the country was immune. Not for seventeen years at least has there been such a summer phenomenon known, and once more in spite of the flat contradictions of the scientific people are arguing that the heavy bombardments in Flanders, which actually are heard and felt 200 miles into England, are responsible for the disturbance of the elements.

It has been puzzling whether altogether that has followed an almost faultless July, for every day contained a series of changes, from cold to the warmth of a Turkish bath and the only constant thing was the rain. After a full week of it, the weather improved for August Bank Holiday, but since then there has been a recurrence of the Turkish bath atmosphere, with drizzling showers.

All this has been fine for the German defensive in Flanders, for it is gall and wormwood to the British commanders that every time they start a great "push" the rain comes in torrents and makes the mud almost impassable. It has so happened time after time. Jupiter Pluvius is obviously pro-German, an ally no doubt of what the Kaiser calls "our good old German God." It is a remarkable proof of the value of our troops that in spite of the terrible weather conditions prevailing in the last two great "pushes" they have achieved all their objectives and to-day they hold everything won, notwithstanding the most strenuous shock tactics of the Hun to dislodge them.

SHOUT OF DOCTORS.

The constant demand for doctors to attend to the ever growing armies is putting a severe strain on the profession, and it is announced by the leaders of medicine and surgery this week that the limit has about been reached when the civilian doctors cannot be further depleted without grave danger to the community. I am assured, though, that the doctor in the army, except at the actual front, has a much easier time during war than his colleague who remains at home to attend to the civilian population. The former can get through his medical parades and lectures in two or three hours a day, so long as his men are fit, as they usually are, whereas his harassed partner at home has thousands of nerve-strung and ailing people in his care and is hard at it very often, until far into the night.

STOCKHOLM.

"Leave it to Labour—that has been the attitude of the Government and the public in regard to the proposal to send Labour delegates to the International Socialist Conference at Stockholm. Labour, for the most part, has answered well and patiently, declaring that there is no earthly use in meeting the enemy and discussing peace until Mr. Lloyd George in his great speech the other day, the Germans learn to pronounce the word "Restoration." The seamen also are determined that no pacific shall travel across the seas until the principle is accepted that Germany shall make reparation for the murder of non-military men, women and children voyaging in peaceful ships. In all allied countries, in fact, the Socialists have shown the patriotic spirit, except in insignificant rump which make much glamour but count for very little. The Stockholm Conference, without responsible Americans, French, Belgians, British or Italians is fore-doomed to be a wash-out, as the men in the Army say.

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THE LIONS OF JUDAH.

The enlistment of a special regiment of Jews for service in Palestine, to be commanded by Lt. Col. J. H. Patterson, D.S.O., the author of several books of African adventure, has raised much interest. The camp is already established in Shaox and a number of Jews from regiments already under arms are being drafted to it. They will form the backbone of the body that will be made up of new recruits. There are about 40,000 Jews serving, but not all of them will be moved into this new force. The real object of the proposal seems to be to provide a regiment for the inclusion of the Russian Jews who have been enlisted this week in accordance with an agreement between the Russian and British Governments. I do not hear of much enthusiasm among the Russian Jews to join up, but they have no way out but to join our army, or volunteer to return to Russia for the purpose of joining the

fighting forces of their native land. Thousands of them have registered for this latter purpose, not because they want to go but because they think the chances are remote that they can be shipped—so they put off the evil day, and meanwhile proceed to match the jobs of Englishmen who are called up. Some of these young Russian Jews tailors are earning £400 a year in this war time, and the dash jewellery which parades in the East End is a spectacle for the girls.

Just as the Russian revolution brought out all sorts of street corner orators never before heard of, so we have now in the East End volatile Yiddishers who have established quite a local reputation as spouters against compulsion.

PRINCE HENRY'S VISIT.

Away back in July, 1914, when the Kaiser's brother, Prince Henry of Prussia, came over here on a famous visit just prior to the war, he gave as his reason that he had given a private promise to visit the match factories of Silesia and May, and he wanted also to see some youth at Cottbus. The articles now appearing from the pen of Mr. Gerald, the Ambassador from America to Berlin, show clearly that the Prince was merely a spy, bent on ferreting out information and also aiming at delaying England's intervention in the war, he already knew to be certain, and if possible to persuade England to remain neutral altogether. He wired a lie to the Kaiser, distorting the guarded statements of King George into a declaration that England would not intervene on the side of France in the event of war, and he repeated the lie to the Kaiser when he got back.

Meanwhile in England he had seen many prominent British statesmen and he knew well enough that he was lying. But the lie was needed to enable the Kaiser to try to hockwink President Wilson, which attempt events have shown was a blank failure. It was one of the Kaiser's forebears who said that his wife lied and blushed, but he lied without blushing. The Kaiser and his sneaking brother are clearly in the full line of inheritance.

HERO WORSHIP.

The extent to which the war has gripped us all, even to the youngest, is most forcibly shown in the parks and the schools, where the children play at soldiers or discuss their favourite heroes. There was an embarrassing incident in a London County Council School the other day that shows the bent of the boys' minds. A master named, we will say Smith, fought for two years and then returned to his school minus a leg and an arm. He was forthwith the object of his boys, who would do anything on earth for him. No discipline prevailed in any class that could compare with his. The other day the instruction included matters affecting the war and he asked: "Now, boys, who is the greatest military figure that stands out head and shoulders from all others in this conflict?"

With a lusty shout the boys cried out "Mr. Smith!" Mr. Smith bowed, blushing merrily: "Not quite," and hurriedly passed on to other topics.

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In a weekly review not long ago I read an article discussing the influence of the war on aesthetics. The writer was at the opinion that the war, instead of extinguishing artistic impulses, as it was feared it would, had produced a deeper yearning for beauty and emotional content in the world at large. He thought this was especially true of the soldiers in the trenches. They lived in the midst of so much appalling sadness and misery that a fervent longing grew up in them, a longing which they had perhaps never before experienced—for the beautiful in art and literature and music.

How much justification there is for this view I am not qualified by knowledge or experience to say, but there is at least one observation I should like to make, even though it may not add materially to the discussion and may not even have a direct bearing on the subject. It is that nearly every man in the trenches has some kind of an instinct for art, even though it may take a very primitive form. Every man will decorate his dugout if he can. Send him a picture postcard and he will pin it up. Give him an illustrated paper, and he will tear out the pictures and stick them on the walls. When you perceive how widespread is this decorative instinct, it is presumably not unreasonable to infer that at least some proportion of the men feel a deeper artistic craving than they are able to manifest. However, as I do not want to spin out the argument too fine, I will give just a few examples of artistic decoration in the trenches, and leave it to the reader to judge whether they prove anything or not.

When the men can obtain a piece of spare wood or soft stone they love to carve it. Of course this may be only a means of whiling away the long, dreary hours, and may have no connection with an artistic impulse. For a time my division held an important salient in a chalk-country. Great lumps of hard clay could be scraped out of the side of the trenches. These lumps were excellent material for carving purposes. The men smoothed one side and then carved into its surface. Regimental crests were favorite subjects of design. We could tell who our predecessors were in these trenches from the crests which were to be seen everywhere. But there were other carvings which had a deeper and sadder significance. These were the memorial tablets to men who had been killed. They were carved in niches at the side of the trench. Certain parts of the trench—the more dangerous parts—were rich in these melancholy tablets. They usually took the form of type lettering, surmounted by a cross. "In loving memory of Sergt. Murphy, Pte. Phanagun, and Pte. Donovan, who were killed here by a shell—May 1st, 1916. R.I.P." These tablets were sometimes surrounded by a scroll, and ornamented with the regimental emblem. Now and then there was an epitaph to the effect that the deceased was a good comrade and a brave soldier. "True till death." "We all mourn for him." "He knew not fear." The majority of these carvings were rather crude, but some were beautifully executed, and were a real joy to behold, when everything else that met the eye was exceedingly ugly.

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